

## James R.

Hereas His Majesty hath been certainly Informed of the Killing and Destroying of the Game in and about His Honour of Hampton-Court; These are therefore to give Notice in His Majesties Name, and by His special Order and Appointment, That henceforward none presume, of what Quality soever (without His Majesties particular Leave) to Kill or Destroy any Hare, Partridge, Pheasant, Heath Powt, Heron, Duck or Mallard, within Ten Miles round about His Majesties Palace of Hampton-Court, by Hunting, Hawking,

Setting, Courfing, Shooting, Tunnelling, Gins, or any way whatfoever, nor to diffurb the Game there under pretence of Shooting at Birds; nor to keep or use any Greyhounds, Lurchers, Setting Dogs or Guns; but such Persons only as shall be thereunto qualified by the Laws made for the Preservation of the Game; and that none so qualified, suffer their Servants, or any under the Notion of such, to Shoot, Set or Course, or by any ways whatsoever to Destroy and Kill any of the forenamed Game, as they will Answer the Contrary at their Peril. And to the end that none may Plead Ignorance of His Majesties Pleasure in this Matter, His Majesty doth further Command, That this Order be with all speed Read and Published in the several Parish Churches within Ten Miles of His Palace of Hampton-Court, at such time and times, as the respective Parishioners meet there for Divine Worship, upon Sundays or Holidays; which the Rector, Vicar or Curate of each Parish, is to see duly performed accordingly.

Given at Our Court at Hampton-Court the Thirtieth Day of July 1687, in the Third Year of His Majesties Reign.

By His Majesties Command,

MIDDLETON.